

Panama Canal Regulations

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purpose of properly and efficiently ventilating the bilges of every engine and fuel tank compartment in order to remove any inflammable or explosive gases.

(b) Motorboats constructed so that the greater portion of the bilges under the engine and fuel tanks are open and exposed to the natural atmosphere at all times are not required to be fitted with ventilators.

Subpart C—Registration and Numbering

§ 121.171 Registration and numbering of motorboats.

All motorboats shall be registered, certificated, and assigned numbers by the Marine Safety Unit.

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§ 121.172 Numbers to be displayed on motorboats.

Every motorboat shall have its assigned number painted or attached on each bow. The numbers shall be in block character of not less than 3 inches in height, and located as high above the water line as practicable, but in no case shall there be less than 3 inches of space from the bottom of the numbers to the water.

§ 121.173 Registration and numbering of vessels under 20 meters (65') in length not propelled by machinery.

Vessels not more than 20 meters (65') in length and not propelled in whole or in part by machinery shall be registered and numbered by the Marine Safety Unit.

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§ 121.174 Numbers to be displayed on vessels under 65 feet other than motorboats.

Every vessel not more than 65 feet in length and not propelled in whole or in part by machinery shall have its assigned number painted or attached on each bow. The numbers shall be in block character of not less than 3 inches in height, and located as high above the water line as practicable, but in no case shall there be less than 3 inches of space from the bottom of the numbers to the water.

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§ 123.1 Radio communication defined.

For the purposes of this part, unless the context otherwise requires, "radio communication" means the transmission by radio of writing, signs, signals, pictures, and sounds of all kinds, including all instrumentalities, facilities, apparatus, and services (among other things the receipt, forwarding, and delivery of communications) incidental to such transmission.

§ 123.2 Control of communications.

The Panama Canal Commission shall, subject to the provisions of this part, have control of radio communications in the Canal operating areas so far as concerns or affects vessels in Panama Canal waters or the navigation of such waters.

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§ 123.3 Radiotelephones required.

(a) Except for vessels operated by the Panama Canal Commission or another agency of the United States, the following vessels shall comply with the requirements of this section:

(1) Every power-driven vessel of 300 gross tons or over;

(2) Every power-driven vessel of 100 gross tons or over, carrying one or more passengers for hire; and